

# Whitehall Park

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## Message from the Senior Leadership Team

I can't believe it's the end of the Spring term already and that we are so close to the Summer term! It has been an incredible term and we have been so proud of everything our children have achieved in all aspects of their learning and progress. This week we held our second Iftar Party, thank you so much to all of those of you who attended. It was a very popular event and it was great to see so many of our families coming together to share this special meal.

Last week our Chess team took part in the BPET Chess tournament and I am thrilled to share that they were awarded first place for the second year running - a fantastic achievement and a testament to their dedication to the game. Our Year 4 Girls Football team came second in their tournament at the beginning of last week, winning the majority of their games - Well done to everyone for taking part we are all extremely proud of you.

Today we are saying good bye and good luck to Miss Dellner, who is leaving to begin her maternity leave. Miss Dellner has been a member of staff at Whitehall Park School since 2016 and will be missed by children and staff as she leaves to welcome a new addition to the family.

Mrs Clio Diallo, will be the new Lavender Class Teacher next term. Clio brings a wealth of experience to the team, having taught in Reception and Key Stage 1 over the past five years. Mrs Diallo spent part of the day with us yesterday, meeting the children and some parents from Lavender Class. She describes herself as a creative and caring teacher, we look forward to welcoming her properly to the team next term and sharing Miss Dellner's news with you all when the baby arrives. We wish her and her family health and happiness in this new chapter of their lives.

Finally we wish all our families a wonderful Spring break and hope you can all enjoy some time with family, friends and loved ones.

Nicola Coyle Deputy Headteacher

# SEN Training Sessions for Parents

- Friday 19th April @ 10:00: Autism Spectrum Condition (ASC)
- Friday 3rd May @ 10:00: Sensory Processing
- Friday 17th May @ 10:00: Zones of Regulation

Sign up for sessions here: https://forms.gle/T74MJN3u1gpymhz98





Monday 15th April at 8.45am

## Reception 2024

Tuesday 16th April 2024 - National offer Day of Reception Admissions - Check your email and accept the offer!

## Sports Competitions

## **BPET Year 4 Girls Football Tournament**

Big well done to the Year 4 girls who attended the BPET football tournament. Each girl knowing there role and position made us a tough team to come up against, being clinical In front of goal and with great defending, as a team we walked away winning 5 matches and only losing 1. The girls finishing in 2nd Place! Congratulations!

## **BPET Year 4 Boys Football Tournament**

Well done to the boys who attended the BPET football tournament. It was a very tough standard to come up against, but with this the boys showed great determination and resilience to keep battling until the end, and even better with doing it with a smile on their faces!

## **Our Cricket Journey**

What a year it's been for our Year 6 mixed cricket team. Back in December we entered the William Greaves Trophy competition in which all boroughs around London held competitions. The winning team represented their respective borough at the grand finals at Lords Cricket Ground. We were successful and won all our matches and represented the whole of Islington at the semi-finals!

For the semi-finals we competed at Lords against the other borough champions which included Kingston, Camden, Barking and Newham. After some difficult matches, having to dig deep and work together, we reached the final!

In the finals, we were up against schools who were last year winners. Members of those teams were existing club members, but that didn't deter us! Each one of the boys and girls were fantastic and I couldn't fault them. They gave 100% at every match. The experience of playing at Lords meant they had a smile on their face throughout the games. In the final, we lost by 1 run in a match and drew the other. Unfortunately, this wasn't enough. Getting to play the grand final at Lord's was a great experience for the children and I am extremely proud of them for making it this far. Well done!











Wednesday: Inflatable Day (New inflatables) Thursday: Easter Baking+ Soft tip axe throwing and soft tip archery Friday: Easter Egg Hunt+ Competition Day

Prizes to be won!



15% Discount

Code: PWN408

Valid until

Sunday 24th March

START TIME: 9:00AM FINISH TIME: 3:00PM

DATES

**TUESDAY 2ND APRIL** 

FRIDAY 5TH APRIL

LOCATION:

WHITEHALL PARK SCHOOL

**EARLY DROP OFF 8:30AM** LATE PICK UP 4:00PM

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# Reception

We have been learning all about what seeds need to grow well in Parsley Class. This week, we went to the woodland area to plant some calendula seeds. We found some soil and carefully dug holes with trowels and rakes. We put the seeds into the holes we had made and covered them over. We watered them and left them in the sunshine and will check back over time to see if they have grown!







## Year 1

This week, we have been wrapping up the book 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' and had our Teddy Bear's Picnic'. Due to the rain we improvised and had an indoor picnic! We also showcased our many talents in year one during our talent show. Who knew we were such a talented bunch! We hope you all have a wonderful holiday!







## Year 2

Year 2 created watercolour sky back grounds in the style of Indian artists Thukral and Tagra.

We then added drawings on top of our paintings which were focused on social issues. Later in the week, we enjoyed a free tennis workshop from Highgate Tennis Club where we practiced simple ball control skills. In computing, we had fun using the iPads to create informative videos about different countries from around the world. We researched the capital cities, what you can do when you are there and what weather you can expect.









Year 3

In PSHE lesson, we have looked at the labels on the food packaging to know amount of calories, fat and sugar it contains. We have then sorted them into healthier and less healthy choice.

In DT, we have tasted the seasonal fruits to describe their taste and texture. Some of the words we used were tasty, sour, crunchy, chewy, hard, and juicy etc. We have then baked our own tart using seasonal fruits such as blueberries, raspberries, plums and strawberries. We enjoyed the taste of our tart!

Last but not the least, our parents were invited to watch our assembly based on Thailand. They had a Thai-tastic time and who know some might be inspired to visit Thailand

after or assembly!









# Year 4

In Year 4, we have been learning about how the length of an object affects its pitch in our Sound lesson for Science. We made harmonicas using straws, lolly sticks and glue!

For our topic of Ancient Maya, we used papier-mâché to create masks. We will decorate these with colourful mosaics to finish them off on the last week of term!









## Year 5

This week Year 5 took part in a Year 5 debating competition run by the Debating Hub at South Hampstead High School. The children had a fantastic experience as they battled it out against a variety of schools in the area. The children took part in three rounds of debates and a debating workshop that examined the key skills of debating. The children showed great resilience and confidence throughout the whole competition and were great ambassadors for our school. We are incredibly proud of them. We hope to return South Hampstead High School for another debating competition in July so the children can build on what they learnt and perfect their debating skills.

This week in class the children also conducted a debate on What's App. Children had to prepare reasons for and against the motion and then write a balanced argument.

In Science the children having been learning about the different parts of a flower and dissecting flowers and drawing diagrams to highlight the different parts of a flowers. In addition, they have also been looking at reproduction of plants.

Last week Year 5 and 6 took party in a Science and PSHE workshop lead by inspirational female scientists from London Met University. They children learnt the importance of adopting a healthy lifestyle in terms of food and excercise in order to prevent diseases like diabetes. The children loved putting on their googles and Science lab jackets to conduct an experiment on the sugar content of a variety of popular soft drinks. They also got to design their own healthy plate. Overall a fantastic workshop!













## Year 6

We have a lot to celebrate in year 6 these last two weeks. We took a team to the Queen's Gambit Chess Competition and brought home the trophy for the second year in a row! Congratulations to our wonderful children!

We also sent a team to Lords Cricket ground where they competed in the final round of a London wide competition. They did amazingly and came 6th! In school the children designed and made thier own steady hand games, decorating the bases and putting together the circuitry.











The Young Artists' Summer Show is a free, open submission exhibition for young artists aged 4-19 years and studying in the UK.

Students can submit one artwork for consideration which will be judged by a panel of artists and arts professionals. Selected artworks will be displayed online and on-site at the Royal Academy of Arts. Prizes will be awarded to inspiring artworks across each key stage.

## How to enter

From 8 January 2024, teachers will be able to register their school. Next, students, their parents/guardians or their teachers can submit artworks via the RA website until 27 March 2024.

## Important dates

8 January - 27 March 2024 Registration and submission open

May 2024 Judging

16 July 2024

Online exhibition opens

16 July - 11 August 2024 Display at the RA open

Royal Academy

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